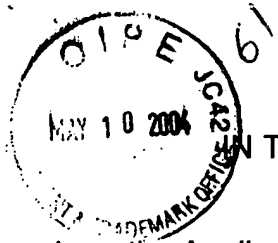


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(Docket No. 402320)

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